SETTLING DOWN TO WORK.

THE NEW CEILING COMMITTEE HOLD A PRELIMINARY HEARING.

CLARENCE & SEWARD AND JOHN M. BOWER TO BE THEIR COUNSEL-NO LAWYERS TO APPEAR FOR WITNESSES-ANDREWS

AND SULLIVAN ON THE STAND.

[BY TELEGRAPE TO THE TRIBUNE.] March 4.—The new Ceiling Investigating started off this afternoon upon their work they intended it to be done thoroughly and ey intended it to be determined to be committee met in the Assembly Parlor, members of the Celling Committee were members of the Celling Committee were None, in fact, were in Albany, excep present. None, in fact, were in Albany, except speaker Cole, nor were there any other members of the Assembly present; but every person who has had intimate knowledge of the ceiling job seemed to desire to have the protection of some lawyer. Charles B. Andrews, the Superintendent of Public Buildings, was represented by ex-Judgo Edwin Countryman; J. Sullivan one of the sub-contractors for ng work, by D. Cady Herrick, Corporation for the ceiling work, by Matthew Hale and Prothingham. The lawyers, through Mr. Hermiogham. The lawyers, through Mr. Her-pre asked permission to appear as counsel Andrews and Sullivan, respectively. The hatte, looked rather astonished, and Mr. Bish, charman, said: "This is not a court, Mn. Ber-Mr. King said: "This is a grand jury, and he testimony as a grand jury would."

Recrick contended that the committee was in ture of a court; certainly their findings, if it his client, would injure him. Moreover, for Hill desired a copy of the evidence taken and to Andrews, in order to be able to decide or or not to remove him from his office of atendent of Public Buildings. Thus it was

committee went into executive session on sestion. When the speciators were again ad-Mr. Pish said: "The committee have decided,

follow a precedent made by the famous committee which investigated the Broadway Railroad steal sel is to save time. The counsel would have

ses only were examined, and they only and Charles B. Andrews. Mr. Suillvan the committee, in reply to inquiries, that any banks with which he did a banking busiess were the Albany City and the Merchanis'. It is end the committee intend to examine his bank-He was told to bring to the committee to-w his books, showing his contracts with the for work upon the State Capitol for seventeen t. He was then told to report to the to-morrow, when his examination will that he would like to modify some testimony that he gave before the Committee on Appropriations. Then, to every one's surprise, he said that he had not intended to testify that he had put into his bank the £2,550 which he had received from Mr. Andrews for the lot in Eaglest. He did not state where he put the money, and £ is singular that he desired to make a statement about the matter.

If: Andrews merely said that he was appointed superintendent of Public Buildings in 1885. Ha sales was told to come to morrow, when he real work of examining him will be begun. Clarence A. Seward and John W. Bowers, the counsel of the investigating Committee, arrived here to-night. They will formally enter upon, their duties at 11 o clock to-morrow mornings. would like to modify some texts

DAMAGING COTTON CARGOES.

THE MERCHANTS OF CHARLESTON EXONERATED FROM CHARGES OF INCENDIARISM.

arleston, March 4 (Special).—There was a stormy ing of the Cutton Exchange to-day. At the session of the Legislature a bill was introduced on the charge was ted to the Exchange to-day that there is no in the charges. The report says: "As to the ost positively any reference to any member of the rehange, or merchants of this city, claiming that thern men who came down se sales and banded themselves together to purt incendiarism, the committee say: "It simply impossible, with the meagre and im-erfect testimony that could be submitted on this bint, to attempt to decide with any degree of certainty whether any one or all these ship fires are occasioned by accident or design." A large number of witnesses were examined, and it was found that the witnesses who believed in the existence of a ring were unable to produce any evidence that impressed the committee that a ring existed. The report was finally adopted and the committee discharged.

MISS WINNIE DAVIS AND SOUTHERN VETERANS. New-Orleans, March 4.—The second reunion of the Veterans of the Confederate Cavalry was held to-day at Washington Artillery Hall, Colonel George Moorman presiding. There were about 200 veterans present. Jefferson Davis, his wife and daughter, were elected honorary members of the association. Later in the day Miss Winnie Davis came into the hall, where she was received with great enthusiasm. A recess was taken and each of the veterans came for-

HOUSES WRECKED BY 'A FREIGHT TRAIN. Marquette, Mich., March 4.—A South Share freight ats. londed with mine machinery, was pulled out a spur track with two engines. The track is in unt-st, and four care were left on the spur when the train got part way up the hill and broke in two, leaving one car with the engine. The train ran back, the prakeman being unable to stop it. It crashed pars on the spur and drove them over a bi making the front of Steel & Lobdel's greery in, oaring out the corner of Pickands & Co.'s coal office, amaking Rothschild & Benfarnin's front, and comletely blockeding the street.

DECIDED AGAINST GENERAL ALGERY
Detroit, March 4.—In the Circuit Court to-day a decision was rendered in the suit brought by D. M. Richardson against R. A. Alger and C. H. Buhl, to restrain them from selling certain stocks in the Diamond Match Company. Bichardson transferred to them this stock as security, with the understanding that they wan to receive one-half the dividend during the term of indersement. They were indersers for \$55,000, and received in all \$55,500 on the investment. They now claim that they were not only cutified to this, bet to their proportion of the profit, making in all court \$137,000. But the Court finds that their compensation aboutd be \$67,033, which is one-half of the net proceeds during the time of inforesement. It also orders that the stock be transferred back and also the excess of mency received, with interest at six percent. DECIDED AGAINST GENERAL ALGERI

INCREASING PULLMAN CAR STOCK;

deago. March 4.—At a special meeting of the solders of the Pullman Palace Car Company to-day. ciders of the Pullman Paiace Car Company to-day, uich over \$16,000,000 of stock was represented, a voted to increase the capital stock to \$25,000, which the board of directors were empowered to at their discretion. The directors, at a meeting quently held, directed the issue of the additional, and provided that the succhholders of recordarch 15 shall have the option, which they may tae until April 1, to subscribe for such stock at

AN CESTINATE RAINSTORM.

sign skies and drenching rain in the city 760 torcaused people to watch the bulletin boards, and
her reports for the indications of the weather at
ington during the inauguration. The morning
to extend some hope that the storm might clear
i, but as the day wors on it stubbornly refused
issign its quarters. Serges at Dung, of the
hor Hursai, said that it was the slowest and
obvinues storm he had known for months,
outers hereced over Weakington and its vicinity
ight, pointing down a steady rain. The greared satesated as Pittaburg on the wast, from the
of Maine to Florida, and far out to see. Every AN CESTINATE RAINSTORM.

ndication showed that the weather should clear up in Vashington before noon, but it did not de so. Last Stening the storm centre had moved up maarly to New-York with increased wind. The skies were then clearing in the west, and before morning the storm was expected to disappear. To-day the prospects are for good weather, slightly cooler. There was no cold-wave in sight in the Far West yesterday.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION OF SOROSIS.

WARMONY PREVAILS-A LIST OF THE OFFICERS -PIANS FOR ITS TWENTY-FIRST BUITHDAY. Notwenstanding the rain, eighty-six numbers of Sorosis urned out for its annual election of officers yesterday and notwithstanding all that has been said about the "two contending parties" in Sorosis, the club elected its officers and its members parted with the harmony which characterizes that body. The regular mouthly routine business and the luncheon cupied the time from 10 o'clock a. m. till 1, then poked the bul called and the club proceeded to

President, Ela Dietz Clymer; vice-presidents, Jen-nie C. |Croly, Sara C. Ostrum, Rebecca A. Morse; executive committee, Mary A. Newton, Josephine Ruhne, C. M. Valentine, Annie W. Fuller, Harriet M. ing secretary, Junie M. Lözier; treasurer, Lucy C. Thomas; auditor, Edna C. Smith; musical director, Esther Hermann; sustodian, Maud K. Clarke; chairmen of committee literature, Mary E. Bryan; art, Isabel E. Smith; drama, Margaret W. Ravenhill; philanthropy, M. K. B. Gouge; science, Lucy L. Holbrook; educasos, Anna Randall Diehl; house and

ton. Three votes were taken for president, and Mrs. Cymer was ultimately chosen because she was one of mders of the society and one of the oldest ex points of its principles. Miss Julia Thomas resigned cation because she had become connected with anothe There were two candidates for each position. They were closen by a committee of five, of which Mrs. Annie Fuler was president. This committee sent out a circular asking the preferences of the 200 members of

number of preferences were accepted.

On Marci 18, 19 and 20 Sorosis will celebrate its twenty-first birthday by holding a convention of women's clus. Delegates from each established woman's clubin the country are expected to be guests of Sorosis. On those days the principal features of the occasion will be as follows: On Sunday, March 17, the society and the elegates are invited to attend a recep-tion to be given by Mrs. Jennie C. Croly. On Monday the new officers will be installed, and delegates and members will joh in celebrating the coming of age of the society. Trisday morning the members and delegates will meet at the Madison Square Theatre, which has been lent for that purpose by A. M. Palmer, and discuss the werk of the various prominent women's so-cieties and cluis in the country. At 1 o'clock they will breakfast with Mrs. Tod Helmuth at her apartnents at the Madrid. After breakfast they will visit the Metropolita Museum of Art at the invitation of General Di Cesiola. In the evening they will attend he Madison Square Theatre at Mr. Palmer's invitation.

Wednesday uprning there will be another morning Theatre, and in he evening Serosis will give a recep-tion at Hardman's Hall, to which men will be invited. Thursday's programme has not been fully made up will be no lack of entertainment, as the society is in receipt of invitations to visit the Hisorical, the Geological and Archaeological societies, the Academy of Design and many other places of nterest. Various prominent artists will throw open their studies to the delegates. The occasion will be further commemorated by a souvenir in the form of a book giving the history of the suclety. Its unique tovers have been designed by J. Wells Champney.

FILLING THE VACANCIES IN THE FACULTY

A LARGE CLASS TO BE GRADUATED BY THE INIVERSITY OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK.

council of the University of the City of 3 --York held a meeting last evening to elect mercan reference to certain matters connected with the uni versity. William K. Gillett was chosen professor of the Freich and Spanish languages and literatures, to take effet upon his return from Spain, where he now lives. LiSperanza was appointed instructor in French and Spaish for the remainder of the college year. A. S. Isses, of the class of '60, was elected professor of the German language and literature. Dr. E. A. Johnson, for fifty one years professor of Latin, requested it be permitted to relinquish a part of his duties, beginning next September. The council re-quested his to continue his instruction in the schlor class and vith the graduate students. William A. Houghton, seting associate professor of the Latin language and literature, was appointed to assist him.

A portrait of Benjamin F. Butler, Attorney under President Van Buren, founder and first princi-ple of the Law School of the university, and one of the three redsers of the statutes of New-York State, was presented to the university by his son, William Allen Butler. John E. Parsons, on behalf of the university, received it. The next meeting will be on the first Mondy in May. The commencement of the Department of Medicine was announced for Tuesday, March 12, when the degree of M. D. will be conferred upon 200 men. The university catalogue will be is-sued in two weeks and will show an enrolment of about 900, not neluding the medical graduates.

FLOOR IN THE ALLEGHANIES!

dentown, I. J., March 4.—The ice in the Upper Delaware River has been melted by the rains of the last two days and the river and creeks are greatly swollen. It is ferred that the docks and piers will be under water at the next high tide.

Chambersburg, March 4.-The forty-eight hours continuous rain has swollen the streams running through here to a langerous height. The low linds on the eastern side of the town are all under water and the creek is still rhing. The track of the Western Maryland Railroad, letween here and Waynesboro, is under water for several miles and all trains are delayed.

JAMES C. BLOOD'S WILL FILED. Red Wood City, Cal., March 4 .- The will of James C. Flood, was filed in the County Clerk's office here this morning. The will is dated August, 1887, and is quite short, being in the maker's handwriting, and covering only three sheets of note paper. The estate is valued # \$4,200,000. He bequeathed one half to his wife and the other half to his daughter Cora Jane Flood, and son, James L. Flood, share and share allie. lefore his death Mr. Flood deeded large blooks of his property to his family.

TAMMANY ILEOTS NEW MEMBERS. The Tammany Society met last night and elected a lot of new members, among them being George Blair, Alderman Jame J. Gilligan, Dr. J. H. Demarest, J. Lewis Lyon, Patrick Curley, State Senator Charles A. Stadler, Louis D. Misbury, Percy Rockwell, William Geoghegan, William L. Flack, John J. Gilroy, Charles R. De Freest and Assemblyman Edward P Hagan and Fred A. Bursham and W. D. Pownell were initiated into full felicwship as members of the

AN AUTOGRAPH HUNTER'S REQUEST DENIED. Boston, March 4.—Sii Henry Ponsonby, private secretary to Queen Victors, has written as follows to a gentleman in Wollaston Mass., who requested Her-Majesty's autograph: "Sh Henry Ponsonly is com-manded to express the Queen's regret that your re-quest cannot be complied with. The immense number of similar applications necessitated the establishment of this rule."

OFFICERS FOR A YACHT CLUB. The annual meeting of the New-Rochelle Yacht Club was held last evening at the Hotel Brunswick. There were present about fifty members, Commodore Charles Pryer presiding. The seport of the treasurer, Eugene Lambden, showed a satisfactory state of the organization's finances. The club has been in existence about two years, and has now 176 members. The secretary's report showed an increase of twenty-The secretary's report showed an increase of twentynine in membership during the last year. The following officers were elected: Commodore, Clinton H.
Seeley; vice-commodore, Z. Edwards Lewis; rearcommodore, William Abert; secretary, Dr. R. C.
Eddy; treasurer, Eugene lambden; measurer, George
C. Foster; trustees, Charles Pryer, C. S. Odell and
John Hardman; house committee, W. H. Wilharth,
J. W. Rough, Joseph W. dibson; committee on admissions. H. S. Pratt and H. Thompson; law committee, Walter Large and Claries H. Norton.

MAGGIE MITCHELL'S TUSBAND BETICENT! Henry T. Paddock, the lusband of Miss MaggieMitchell, when seen yesterday at his real estate office,
No. 137 Breadway, declined to say anything about
his relations with his wife. He would not affirm or
deny the truth of a published statement purporting
to face been made by a friend of his, that in case
Miss Mitchell began serion, he would institute a
country suit. Miss Mitchel played last night in
Port lervis, and is booked for the remainder of the
work in one-night stands in the western part of
New-York.

AMERICAN ART AT PARIS. CHOOSING PICTURES FOR THE EXHIBIT.

A BETTER FEELING EXISTING AMONG THE ARTISTS-SOME MISUNDERSTAND

INGS SET RIGHT The committee of artists appointed to select plet-ures for the coming international exhibition at Paris held their second meeting at the rooms of W. S. Bud-Since the last meeting many artists who for various reasons had not desired to send any of their works had changed their minds, and were represented by some choice examples. The commissioner, Rush one of the New-York collectors, which will be sent to Paris with the others. About twenty-five paintings were added to the list already chosen, ing now about 170 works in oil, which will be shipped at the earliest opportunity. Although the names of the latest selections could not be learned, it is said that they are valuable, and will raise the general tone of the objections manifested artists and collectors relative to the amount of insurance, the commissioner said that such complaints were unreasonable; that the paintings would be insured for their full market value, but not at fanciful figures, in the Atlantic Mutual Company, to which high rates had been paid. There was also, he added, no uncertainty as to the date of their return, as had been reported. They will remain in the Exposition until its close in October, and will then be Assistant Commissioner-General said that the Government had offered to increase the amount of insurance, which is now \$250. if found necessary. Thus there seems to be little reason to refuse to send works of art on tha ground.

March 31 is the last day on which exhibits will be received in Paris. Civil Engineer William C. Gunnel sailed on the Bretagne yesterday morning. He will have charge of the preliminary arrangements for the American exhibit, and will attend to the various shipments upon their arrival. Considerable work is necessary. About 100,000 square feet are allotted to the United States, which is about 3 per cent of Already about one-half of the the entire ground. intended shipments have been made, and the others will follow as soon as possible, in order to be prepared for the opening on May 5. Commissions General W. B. Franklin and Assistant Commissions General Somerville P. Tuck will sail about April 1, and the art commissioner, Rush C. Hawkins, some

The talk among some artists and collectors regarding a second exhibition in Paris, to occur about the time as the Exposition, already mentioned in The Tribune, still continues, although nothing definite has been decided upon. Several of the well-known men object to large exhibitions, believing that unless the work is of a sensational nature, or of heroic size, its individuality and morft will be overlooked. Especially, they say, is this the case with the small paintings which many of the New-York artists have finished. It has been thought best, should this second proposed exhibition become a reality, to secure the Petit galleries, not far from the Grand Opera House in Paris, where private collections frequently as Greater justice can be done to the Americans, it is said, in an exhibition of this descrip In the hope of accomplishing this end, a number of the most prominent artists have withheld their from the present commission. has been considerable talk about the oppositio of Thomas B. Clarke, the well-known collector to the proposed international exhibition. It has been said that he refused to lend any of his when asked for them by the artists, and that he has advised artists not to respond to tion of the present comm

CORRECTING EXAGGERATED REPORTS: These reports seem to be exaggerated, as far as Tribune reporter could learn, although the fact emains that none of Mr. Clarke's pictures will be among those exhibited in Paris at the Exposition remains those exhibited in Paris at the ExpositionWhen asked in regard to Mr. Clarke's opposition, J.
Carroll Beckwith, a member of the jury, said that he
had displayed none whatever. "On the contrary,"
continued Mr. Beckwith, "Mr. Clarke has displayed
interest in the matter, and has not refused to lend
his aid. He has always taken the liveliest inferest
in American art, and has been ever ready to aid
the artists by exhibiting their works. It proof of
this, a number of his pictures will be sent to Washington in a short time and will represent the artist
there." Another prominent painter said: "I do not
understand how so much controversy has arisen over
that point. Mr. Clarke has not been onthusiastic
over the Paris exhibition, it is true, and I fancy, since
that was expected from him, that his inactivity has
been misinterpreted as opposition. Mr. Clarke has
been so kind to American artists, having been one of
the first to start interest in their work, that his lack
of enthustasin at this time has been reganded with

asked him if he wished to send the paintings what he had in his portsession. "Mr. Clarke," continued the artist, "was perfectly willing to give them to me, but I preferred to send no works to the exhibition for other reasons."

The sub-committee of artists, consisting of F. D. Millet, J. Carroll Beckwith and Walter Shirlow, met at the rooms of W. S. Budworth, at Frifth-ave. and Fourteenth-st., yesterday to choose the pictures in black and white which will be sent to the Paris Exposition. There were between seventy and seventy five selected comprising subjects of all kinds. About fifty pictures which were sent for examination were rejected. The work of the various committees is now ended and W. S. Budworth has creders to get the paintings ready for shipment as soon as possible. It was at first intended to send them on next Saturday when Commissioner Hawkins salls for France, but Mr. Budworth says that it will be impossible to ship them before the middle of next week, owing to their number and the distance from which many of them must be brought.

RAILROAD INTERESTS.

RENEWING CHARGES AGAINST EASTERN LINES. Chicago, March 4 (Special).-" That was a crafty denial of the New-York Central people and Vicedenial of the New-York Central people and Chairman Pierson about the payment of commissions by New-York roads on westbound emigrant business," said a general passenger agent to-day. "They all denied vehemently that there was any rate cutting. but steered clear of a denial of paying undue commissions. Now, I am in a position to know and I state positively that as high as \$17 commissions are paid on emigrant tickets from New-York to Ogder. There may be a distinction between paying undue commissions and cutting rates, but the only difference is to the passenger. In one case he does not get the benefit of the reduced rates, and in the other he does. Of course, the roads have to pay large commissions, or let the Southern Pacific get all the asiness through its European agencies." Of six different general passenger agents seen, every one claimed that the \$10 commission on tickets from New York to Chicago was being paid. Four of them claimed to have proof that the \$17 commission from New York to Ogden has repeatedly been paid by the New York to Ogden has repeatedly been paid by the New York Cen-tral, West Shore, Pennsylvania and Lehigh Valley.

MISCELLANEOUS BAILWAY INTELLIGENCE. Springfield, Ill., March 4 (Special).—Articles of in-corporation were to-day reported in the office of the Secretary of State of the Electric City and Illinois Railway Company, with principal office at Venice, Madison County. The capital stock is \$50,000 and the incorporators and first Board of Directors are Charles D. McLure, John Whittaker, S. W. Cobb, C. C. Rainwatter and L. M. Rumsey. It is intended to construct a railway from the eastern approach of the bridge to be through Madison County to East St. Louis.

Ottawa, Ont., March 4. In the House to-day the

bill to incorporate the Victoria, Sandwich and New Westminster Railway was passed. Scranton, Penn., March 4 (Special).—It is officially announced that the New-York, Ontario and Western announced that the New-York, Onlario and Western Railroad Company has entered into a preliminary contract with the Scranton and Forest City Railroad Company whereby the Ontario and Western will secure an entrance into the Wyoming coal fields. The Scranton and Forest City Railroad will also be consolidated with the Onlarie and Western and William Coal with the Ontario and Western, and will join it at Car-bondale. The name of the consolidated company will be the Ontario and Scranton Railroad. The new ex-tension of the next will cross the main line of the Eric at Hancock

Findlay, Ohio, March 4.—At a meeting of the stockholders of the Now-York, Mahoning and Western Railroad to-day, the consolidation with the Ohto, In-diana and Missouri River Company was ratifled. The new company will be known as the American Mid-

Chicago, March 4.-The east-bound shipments Chicago, March 4.—The east-bound shipments of flour, grain and provisions by the lines in the Central Traffic Association last week aggregated 35,887 tons against 42,807 for the proceding week, and against 33,157 for the corresponding week last year. The Vanderbilt lines carried 40.5 per cent of the business the Fennsylvanta lines 34 per cent, the Chicago and Grand Trunk 20.5; Baltimore and Ohio 5.

PROCTOR'S THEATER TO BE OPENED TO NIGHT Messrs. Proctor and Tarner when seen late reater day afternoon said: "We shall surely open to-morrow. There is no trouble wift the Building Department. We will get the permit to-morrow in one hour and the license in three hours. The cause of the delay was defects in the machinery for the horse race and its secongarying papersma." NEWS FROM THE SUBURBS.

A SUNDAY-SCHOOL IN DANGER.

The new faith cure church, which was established about four weeks ago in the Ropublican wigwam, at Fairmount and Bergen aves., Jersey City, and was called the Free Church of Christ, is already in trouble. The church was started by a number of secoders from the Elsey Memorial Chapel, who followed the Rev. E. Eben Bayles when Mr. Elsey dismissed him from the pastorate of the chapel. The secoders were joined by a number of adherents of the Rev. Mr. Phillips, who organized a new church last summer when Mr. Elsey discharged Mr. Phillips. Major William Soage was ne of Mr. Bayliss's wealthlest and warmest support ers, and he was made superintendent of the St chorl. Mr. Seage proved to have ideas of his own as they differed from those of Mr. Bayliss and other prominent members of the church, trouble followed thought the church should select them. Mr. Seage refused to yield the disputed point, and the result is that the Sunday-school has ceased to exist, at least tempo-

afternoon he was met by W. J. Hazeltine, a member of the church and custodian of the building. Mr. Hazeltine asked Mr. Scage if he still persisted in his views about the management of the Sunday-school. Mr. Seags answered that he did, and without further ado Mr. Hazeltine locked the doors and kept out both the sur, Hazeltine locked the doors and approut both the superintendent and about sixty of the Sunday-school pupils. Mr. Seage was not at home yesterday when a Tribune reporter called at his houre, but his wife was prepared to speak for him. She said that Mr. Bayliss was an excellent man, but he was too positive in his views and too anxious to manage everything according to his own ideas. She believed that Mr. Seage would resign and the church would be broken up. The difficulty will be discussed at a meeting of the church members to be held some evening this week.

A WELCOME SERVER OF PAPERS. A strange man a few days ago, on leaving a north-ound train of the Hudson River Railroad at Tarrytown, inquired of the station agent where he could and a Miss Helen Van Duzen, and on being informed that she was a pupil in Miss Buckley's school, at once went there. In response to his ring Miss Buckley opened the door, when the officer, as he proved to be, said that he wished to see Miss Van Duzen for the pur pose of serving some papers upon her personally. Miss Buckley expressed objections to complying with his request unless he showed his authority in the matter, when he produced papers signed by the Governor of New-Jersey requesting the young woman's presence in Trenton on March 23 for the purpose of identification, in order that she might obtain a legacy of \$22,000. The anxiety caused by the officer's visit was soon dispelled and was succeeded by congratulations to Miss Van Duzen on her good fortune.

ACQUITTED OF KILLING HIS WIFE. Jarvis Mills, colored, of Greenwich, who has be n trial at Bridgeport for the murder of his wife last

April, was acquitted last evening. Last April some ruffians visited Mills's house and assaulted him. seized a gun and fired at them in self-defence, but the shot struck and killed his wife. The accused man has borne a good character and public sympathy was strongly in his fayer.

JERSEY CITY.

Frank Hittell, a longshoremen living at No. 68 Essex-st, was arrested by Policeman Dougherty yes-terday morning. Hittell is the man "Frank" who stabled David Watkins with a pair of shears on Sunday tright. The trouble was caused by jealousy. Wathins lost his wife a few months ago and recently has been visiting Mrs. Mary Rellly, a widow, who lives at No. 36 Morris-st. When he called on Sunday night he found Hittell engaged in conversation with the widow. Hittell admits that he stabbed Watkins but says he did it in self defence. Watkins is still

in a critical condition.

The case of Freeholder Michael Hennessy, who is under indictment for malfeasance and forgery, was before the Court of General Sessions yesterday. It was expected that the objection to the Grand Jury raised by Counsellor Allan L. McDermott because fou of its members were beyond the legal age would be argued, but Mr. McDermott withdrew that objection and interposed another that the court records failed to show that any Grand Jury was drawn at the present term of court. This seems to be the fact. The grand and petit juries are now drawn by the Jury Commission, and their proceedings have not been entered on the court records. District-Attorney Winfield was not prepared to argue the question and the court set the case down for Thursday.

A well-dressed man, who proved to be William Weilert, of No. 177 Ten Eyck-st., Brooklyn, created a sensation yesterday on the Pennsylvania Railroad ferryboat New-Jersey by standing up in the cabin and attempting to deliver a temperance lecture. deckhands stopped him and then he flung several dol-lars in coin about the floor of the cabin. The money was picked up and returned to him, when he drew out a large roll of bills and tried to distribute them among the passengers. When the boat reached Jerwas taken in charge by Detective Morris and conducted to Police Headquarters.

Edward Masten, alias Lilly; John Brown and John Lawton, the confidence operators who have been swindling passengers on the German steamers sailing from Hoboken, were arraigned in the Special Sessions Court yesterday. Masten and Brown pleaded guilty and were sentenced to six months in the penitentiary. Lawton pleaded not guilty, but it is understood that he will withdraw that plea and plead non wult.

NEWARK.

Peter Hart, an Englishman, sixty-four years old and an inmate of the Soldiers' Home in Kearny, com-mitted suicide last evening in a peculiar manner. He was seen to leave the home and walk down the hill to the river bank. To the astonishment of the eye. witnesses, Hart continued on into the water and disappeared. Hart was a veteran of the war and had re-ceived a bullet wound in the head that for the last two

years made him an imbeelle.

The Newark Shooting Society until Sunday night had twenty of the most costly targets in this county. On Sunday some malicious person broke into the grounds and completely wrecked the targets. A reward has been offered for information that will lead to the arrest of the malefactors.

VARIOUS NEW JERSEY TOWNS.

ELIZABETH.—The New-Jersey Central Kailroad Company on Saturday put several hundred men to work laying a fourth track between here and Bound Brook. . . . Julia Dunham, age seventeen, has fied from the home of her father, William H. Dunham, a disabled veteran of the war, who lives at No. 10 Amity-st. The girl has taken her youngest sister, ago two, with her. Six weeks ago Mr. Dunham's eldest son hanged himself. His mother, who was sick, died the following week. Two weeks later the second son died after a day's sickness and now the daughter has disappeared with the remaining child, leaving the old soldier bereft of all his kindred. . . . The ruined steamer Kill Von Kull burned until yesterday, when she was scuttled and sunk. company's officials do not now estimate that their loss will exceed \$80,000. This does not include the

PATERSON.-Arthur Hackney, age thirty-one, an Englishman who came to this country about two years ago and boarded in Tyler-st., was found dead in his room yesterday morning, having hanged himself. He had worked as a dyer, but was despondent because he had not done so well in this country as he hoped. WEEHAWKEN .- President Green, of the West Shore

Radicoad Company, has issued a positive order prohibiting the sale of beer or liquor in houses owned by the company. There are several such houses in Weehawken, which have been turned into drinking places, and are resorted to by employes of the com-pany. It is believed that the numerous accidents which have occurred in the company's yard recently are due to the liquer sold in these places. Any tenant of the company who violates the order will be summarily ejected.

BERGEN POINT.-Edward L. Vredenburgh has won the New-Jersey Athletic Club's medal at bowling for the second time. Matches are played every Satur-

PAMRAPO.-John C. Nosser, Charles R. Vogel and Frederick Chamberlain have been selected as baseball committee by the Pamrapo Athletic Club. LONG ISLAND.

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set fire to the Wave Crest Hotel, which was recently

ALONG THE SOUND. BRIDGEPORT. Samuel Greenred, the hermit-taxidermist of Stratford Swamp, has received from the White Mountains, through his friend Leonard Clarke, a gray American eagle measuring six feet from tip to tip of the wings. . Subscriptions in this city to the Parnell Defence Fund amount to 8600. A portion of the amount has been forwarded through the agent here, P. W. Wren. . Barak T. Nichols, age eighty-five, superintendent of Park Cometery, was found dead in his bed yesterday morning.

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SOUTH NORWALK.—Verep and Frank Sheld rothers, engaged in a quarte in Jacob Linxwelle quor-shop on February 20, and, it is alleged, Frank truck Warren with a beer glass. Errshelas set and Warren died on Baturday night. Frank has be

WESTCHESTER COUNTY.

WHITE PLAINS.—The March term of the Circuit Court and Court of Cyer and Terminer for West-chester County opened yesterday, Justice Dykman, of the Supreme Court, presiding.

TARRYTOWN.—John Brady and Edwin Barrow, stonecutiors, had a quartel in 1880 in which Brady stabbed Barrow with a hnife. Since then the two never met until Thursday afternoon last, when Brady, on returning to the village, entered a liquor-shop kept by one Conley, in North Tarrytown, and while sitting there, Barrow came in and recognized Brady, and immediately sprang up and threw him on the floor and kicked him unmercifully. Brady called for assistance, which was not given by those present. Brady then went to the police station for assistance, and an officer was detailed to accompany Brady before a justice, but as Brady then declined to make a formal complaint, the matter was dropped for the present.

The people here have had considerable difficulty in getting a supply of pure water for domestic purposes. That now furnished is from an artelean well, but it has not proved satisfactory. The Pocantice River, offer to supply Tarrytown with 18,000,000 gallons of pure water for \$1,500, and as much more as required at the rate of £10 a thousand gallona, which is less than is now expended for coal in pumping the supply from the well, exclusive of wages for engineer and assistants.

SING SING.—Montgomery Washburn, who was injured recently by shooting himself in the foot while out

PLEANTVILLE.—The members of the West Methodist Episcopal Church have organized a Sunday-school, which was attended on Sunday by fifty pupils. In the last week revival services have been hold in the church under the charge of Propellist Gilds, and resulted in twenty-five conversions.

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WILLIAM REED KIRKLAND. William Reed Kirkland, who died at Solitude, his ountry home at Tarrytown Heights, on Sunday morning, was born in Baltimore on April 17, 1819. He was educated at St. Mary's College, in Baltimore, and began his mercantile life in the house of R. Lemmon & Co., of that city. He married Miss Linn, a daughter of John H. Linn, a shipping merchant of Philadelphia, in April, 1841, when he removed to that city and ed a partnership with John Mason under firm name of Mason & Kirkland, exporting and im-

& Thompson, of this city, as a junior partner, su-perintending the experting and importing business of the firm. On its dissolution in 1853 he formed a copartnership with William Von Sachs under the firm name of Kirkland & Von Sachs, conducting an exten and West Indies and also with South America. The house of Kirkland & Von Sachs went into liquidation in 1875, since which time Mr. Kirkland has been out of active business. A widow and five sons survive him. His body will be placed in the family vault at Laurel Hill Cemetery, near Philadelphia, to-day. sive shipping and importing business with the East

JOSEPH MONHEIMER. Joseph Monheimer, deputy clerk of the Court of Special Sessions, died at his home, No. 55 East Sev-enty-third-st. from Bright's disease, at 8 o'clock on Sunday morning. He was born in Philadelphia fifty. Sunday morning. He was born in Philadelphia fifty, two years ago, and has lived in New York for the last thirty years. He was a mall agent during President Buchanan's term, and has held soveral municipal positions since. He was an aldermen during Mayor Havemeyer's term, and had held the position of deputy cierk of the Court of General Sessions for seven years. He had been at home ill since November 15. Mr. Monheimer was a well-known Democratic politician, and was a great friend of Samuel J. Tilden, of the Haveneyers and of a number of other men well known in his party. His wife survives him, to whom The left a moderate fortune.

The funeral will be held at his home at 8 o'clock this evening by the Rev. Dr. Charles H. Parkhurst, pastor of the Madison Square Presbyterian Church. The burial will be in Swan's Point Cemetery, Providence,

HENRY S. MAGOON.

Milwaukee, Wis., March 4.-Ex-Congressman Henry S. Magoon died at 11 o'clock last night, at Darling-

Mr. Magoon was born at Monticello, Wis.; on January 31, 1833, and was educated at the Rock River, Seminary, at Mount Morris, Ill., and the Western Military College, at Drennon, Ky., graduating from the last-named institution with the highest honors of his class in 1853. He then attended the Montros Law School at Frankfort, and in 1855 he was appointed for of ancient languages in the Nashville Uniturned to Wisconsin and practised law. In 1858 he was elected District Attorney, and in 1871 and 1872 he was a member of the State Senate. He was elected to the XLIVth Congress as a Republican and served from 1875 to 1877. He was the first native of Wisconsin ever elected either to the State Senate or to Congress.

COLONEL WILLIAM W. STEPHENSON. Colenel William W. Stephenson, a well-known Repub-lican, d'ed yesterday at his home, No. 216 Clerment-ave.

Brooklyn. He was born in New-York in 1831, and studied law at the Albany Law School. When the war broke out he enlisted in the 7th Regiment, and was after-ward a captain and a Heutenan's in the 185th New-York He was a lawyer in Brooklyn and New-York, Veterans. He was a lawyer in Brooklyn and New York, after the war, and went to the Assembly for the old VIIth District of the former city for two terms. He always took an active interest in politics, and was a member of the Republican General Committee, the 7th Regiment War Veterans, the Loyal Legion, the U. S. Grant Post, G. A. R., Commonwealth Lodge, F. and A. M., and commanding officer of the Veteran Association of the 165th Regiment. The funeral will take place to-morrow, at 2 p. m., at the Simmson Methodius Polissonal norrow, at 2 p. m., at the Simpson Methodist Episcopal

HARVEY WILLARD.

St. Louis, March 4 (Special).—Harvey Willard, chief clerk of the Southern Hotel, and a widely known and clerk of the Southern Hotel, and a widely known and popular hotel man, died this morning of apoplexy. He was born in Virgennes, Vt., in 1833, and came West when he was twenty-one years old. He was a clerk in the Briggs House, at Chicago, for fourteen years, and made fast friends of Lincoln, Douglas and other statesmen. He came to St. Louis in 1868, and was with the Lindell for two years. Since then he has been connected with the Southern Hotel.

J. G. WOOD. sondon, March 4.-J. G. Wood, a prominent member

OBITUARY NOTES. Selah W. Brower, an inspector in the Custom House, died yesterday at No. 59 Hicks st., Brooklyn. He was forty-five years old, and had been in the Government employ for some time. His death was due to pneumonia. A wife and four children survive him. The funeral will take place te-morrow. John N. Earl, for many years secretary of the Eliza-

place to-morrow.

John N. Earl, for many years secretary of the Elizabeth, N. J., Dime Savings Institution, and lately secretary and treasurer of the Elizabeth and Now-York Horse Railroad Company, and a prominent member of the Pirsb Presbyterian Church, died on Sunday night at his home. No. 561 Morris-ave., aged fifty-eight.

Bethlehem, Penn., March 4 (Special),—Mrs. Sailie A. Abbott, wife of Captain Robert A. Abbott, coal aperator and brother-in-law of President E. P. Wilbur, of the Lehigh Valley railroad, died last night after a lingering filmess. She was about fifty-five years of age.

Carlisie, Penn., March 4 (Special).—Peter Ritner died suddenly near Mt. Rock to-day of heart disease, at the sare of swenty-one years. He was the last surviving son, of ex-Governer Ritner, of this Sizie, who was elected Governor in 1835. He took an active part in the mat campaign for President Harrison.

A SNUB FROM THE MAYOR.

THE RETIBING CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSIONERS RECEIVE A TART LETTER.

Everett P. Wheeler, E. L. Godkin and E. Randolph Robinson, who formed the Supervisory Board of Com-missioners of the New-York Municipal Civil Service, sont their resignations yesterday to Mayor Grant. The resignations were accepted and 78 following letter was sent to the ex-Commissioners by

DR. LOOMIS'S SIDE OF THE STORY. HE TESTIFIES IN THE SUIT AGAINST BIN

salary and bits pass to produced.

Dr. Loomis further testified that the Laboratory was founded and from \$4,000 to \$0 of the yearly expenses were paid by a main living, but whose name he could not make pitches was then adjourned, to be resumed a convenience of the interested parties. Franconvenience of the Dr. Loomis and J. E.

MCKEE BANKIN HARD PUSHED A motion to punish McKee Rankin for consumpt of court for failing to appear for examination in regard to the interest which Frederick J. Monder has in the play "A Runaway Wife," was made before Justice O'Brien, in the Supreme Court, Chambers, resterday. The proceedings were taken in a suit in which Dr. William K. Simpson obtained a judgment for \$456 against Meader for professional services. On a stipulation that Rankin would appear for examination before Referre McKee at No. 200 Broadway, the motion was withdrawn. Mr. Rankin failed to suppost, however, before the referce yesterday afternoon, as was expected, and the time for his appearance was extended to 11 a m. to-day.

THE POLO GROUNDS MUST BE CUT UP. Justice Ingraham, of the Supreme Court, has confirmed the report of the Comerissioners in the matter of the widesing of Pitth-ave., between One-hundred-and-ninth and One-hundred-and-tenth sta, and for 100 feet north of the latter street. He decides that the awards are properly made and that the Metropolitan Exhibition Company's lease of the ground on which its building stands vests absolutely in the city.

FRANK LESLIES SON MUST PAY ALIMONY.
Judge Alich, of the Court of Common Plans, granted
order posterday requiring Alfred A. Leslie, son of Free
Leslie, to show cause why he should not be punished it
conceange for disobuping an erafar requiring him to pay
Ada E. Leslie odd alimeny in her suit for a divorce.

THE COURT OF APPEALS.

Albany, March 4.—In the Court of Appeals to-diowing cases were argued:
No. 162—Bridget Huston, administratory, responder
Ro. 164—Etien Haisey, appellant
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COURT CALENDARS FOR TO-DAY. SUPREME COURT GENERAL THEM. Belove Van Brunt, P.J., Brady and Bartlett, J.J.—Nos. 48, 57, 55, 58, 62, 56, 67, 68, 70, 62, 55, 67, 69, 90, 91, 97, 99, 102, 105

SUPERIOR COURT TRIAL TRIAL PART II .- Before Freedman, .- Nos. 679, 1172, 770, 1283, 1278, 1127, 1124, 1205, 608 -Nos. 437, 438, 1210, 899, 587, 19, 1126, 1525,
COMMON PLANS-GENERAL TREM-Before Legrenore, C. J.
saly and Van Hoesen, J. J.—Nos. 52, 53, 54, 23, 41.
COMMON PLANS-SPECIAL TREM-Before Allen, J.—No. 9.
COMMON PLANS-SPECIAL TREM-Adjourned for the term.
OCHMON PLANS-TRIAL TREM-PART I.—Before Bookstaver,
Nos. 434, 1079, 412, 738, 368, 369, 1083, 1087, 1088,
COMMON PLANS-TRIAL TREMS-PART II.—Adjourned for the
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CHY COURT-SPECIAL THEM-Before Moadem, C. J .-Motiona.

CITY COURT—TRIAL THEE PART I—Before McGrown. J.

Nos. 689, 660, 440, 476, 1746, 958, 396, 669, 663, 5065, 30,

404, 1799, 3027, 24.

CITY COURT—TRIAL THEE PART II—Before Browne, J.—

Nos. 397, 246, 18, 550, 1801, 1770, 599, 854, 508, 1408, 664,

835, 1872, 645, 10, 675, 676.

CITY COURT—TRIAL TRIE PART III—Before Ethiloh. J.

COURT OURT—TRIAL TRIE PART III—Before Ethiloh. J.

COURT OF CHARLA TRIES PART III—Before REPRISON, 1891, 377, 448, 471, 1799.

COURT OF OTHER AND TRIESCES—Extraordinary Term.)

Before Daniels, J. and District Autorney Fellows.—No. 1.

COURT OF GENERAL SERSIONS—722T I.—Before Gildenserts,
J. and Assistant District Autorney Macdona—No. 1 is 78

Inclusive. COURT OF GENERAL SERVICES PART III Before Records Smyth and Assistant District-Attorney Gos Nes 1 to 1

Charleston, S. C., March 4.—At the recent session of the Legislature serious charges were made against the method of conducting the cotton business at this port. It was alieged first that a ring or rings existed among the members of the Cotton Exchange for the purpose of purchasing cotton saved from burned steamships at prices far below. Value of the cotton. Second, that the cotton fires at this port were of incendiary origin; that a ring or rings existed here, whose interest it is to have these fires take place, in order that they might share in the pinnder. Third, that the underwriters on cotton cargoes are systematically defrauded at this port. Upon the publication of these charges the Cotton Exchange appointed a special committee of five to make a therough investigation. The committee obtained ovidence bearing on all phases of the subject and submitted their reports to day. They find that the sharps that there is a ring to buy damaged cotton from burned steamships far below its value is without foundation. They say they have not obtained evidence in a single instance that the cotton fires were of incandiary origin. They also show that the uderwriters of cotton cargoes are not defrauded. The committee say: "Charleston should not be held up as a port where frank and corruption run riot, when such is not the case, and where the evidence points canchisately to the fact that the underwriters on cotton cargoes are as fairly treated as at other points of exput." CHARGES OF PRAUD IN THE COTTON BUSING

The H. K. Thurber Republican Club onto about 2,000 of its friends last night at Ex m at the Atalania Casinn, One-hundred-and-fifty and Eighth-ave. Letters of regret were received from the County of the President Horrison, Vice-President Morron, Ribbert for and others. Colonel Henry Aluman, of Co.